

MINUTES OF THE BEAVERTON SISTER CITIES ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, November 26, 2012

Beaverton City Hall – 3rd Floor Conference Room

PRESENT: Brian Bost, Karen Yeong, Linda Wilson, Megan Kirkpatrick, Penny Hanson, Ted Chung
City of Beaverton Support Specialist 2: Cynthia Rozanc

ABSENT: Jason Dempsey, Jeffrey Ressler, Jordan Wittren, Kellie Stellingwerf, Michael Kalkofen, Stan Tellin

MINUTES: minutes of the October meeting were not available.

ADVISORY BOARD ELECTIONS

The board members present at the meeting submitted their votes. Cynthia will get the other board member's votes by Friday, Dec. 30th.

ADVISORY BOARD

The board recognized the retiring board members, Brian Bost, Megan Kirkpatrick, Jordan Wittren, Ted Chung and Stan Tellin. The applicants for the new board members will be submitted to the Mayor.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

The board reviewed the set-up and materials needed for the upcoming open house. Jason, Linda, Penny and Karen will be volunteering at the table display.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Trossingen Exchange – postponed until 2014.

The South Plaza – the majority preferred Sister City “since” for the title of the design.

Taiwan exchange – Cynthia received an email from our Sister City Hsinchu to see if anyone from Beaverton can come to attend a glass festival Dec. 22nd. Unfortunately, that is too short notice for people to attend.

Explore additional Sister Cities – the board is collecting input from the community on what possible cities the community might be interested in. The board may form a subcommittee early next year to further explore options.

Survey results – Cynthia reviewed the responses to the survey that was sent to board members to find out about what board members are looking for in the future.

Friendly City – Ted was approached by the Oregon Intercultural Association to find out if our Korean Sister City, Choenan, would help find some home stays for Beaverton area high school students next summer. They also asked if Ogaki Japan might be designated as a Friendly City to Beaverton. This city has been hosting Beaverton students for more than 20 years. The board will do some additional research about the city and what it means to be a Friendly city before it can form a recommendation.

December meeting – the Board confirmed Dec. 10th at La Hacienda Mexican restaurant in Beaverton for the holiday meeting @ 6:00 pm. Spouses/partners may be included.

Adjournment - the meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm